

for “another dime.” Every time the Republican White House asks the Republican Senators about a larger and needed COVID relief package, the Republican Senators say: Don’t do anything. We are too divided.

As if we needed any more proof this week that the votes this week are not serious, it was just reported in the Washington Post that Leader McCONNELL warned the White House against making a deal on a COVID relief bill before the election. Let me repeat that. According to a report in the Washington Post, the Republican leader warned the White House against making a deal on another stimulus bill before the election.

Maybe it is because he knows his caucus wouldn’t support it. Maybe it is because he doesn’t want anything to interfere with his true priority—rushing a Supreme Court Justice onto the bench mere days before a Presidential election. Maybe it is both. Whatever the reason, it is abundantly clear that what the Republican leader is offering this week is a stunt—designed to look real but designed to fail.

He told the White House he doesn’t actually want a deal before the election. Now, if my Republican colleagues—those of the mind to help the American people, not those who believe we have spent too much already—want to do something real, we are going to give them a chance on the floor right now. I will be making a motion to move the Senate into a posture by which we could all vote on the Heroes Act that passed the House. If the Senate were to pass it, it would head right to the President’s desk. The Democrats have already modified the bill to make it more palatable to our Republican colleagues by coming down over \$1 trillion.

So, if you are a Republican who wants to adequately fund our schools, our hospitals, and our medical centers, vote with the Democrats on the next motion. If you are a Republican who wants to adequately fund testing and tracing and devote the resources our country needs to prevent a second wave of the virus, you should vote with the Democrats on the next motion. If you are a Republican who wants to assist all small businesses, including our hardest hit industries and underserved communities, newspapers, restaurants, minority-owned businesses, and independent music venues and theaters, you can vote with us on the next motion. If you are a Republican who wants to employ a lifeline to the unemployed, to feed the hungry, to assist renters and homeowners, and to stave off drastic cuts to State and local services, you should vote with us—with the Democrats—on the next motion.

The country is crying out for real, substantial, comprehensive relief. The Heroes Act provides it. It includes all of the urgent and necessary measures that the Republicans have left out of their proposals. If my Republican colleagues are serious—really serious—

about providing relief to the American people, then, vote to allow the Senate to consider the Heroes Act.

#### VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE

Mr. President, I move to table the McConnell motion to proceed to Calendar No. 554, S. 4675, and I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL).

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 45, nays 52, as follows:

#### [Rollcall Vote No. 204 Leg.]

##### YEAS—45

Baldwin  
Bennet  
Blumenthal  
Booker  
Brown  
Cantwell  
Cardin  
Carper  
Casey  
Coons  
Cortez Masto  
Duckworth  
Durbin  
Feinstein  
Gillibrand

Hassan  
Heinrich  
Hirono  
Jones  
Kaine  
King  
Klobuchar  
Leahy  
Manchin  
Markey  
Menendez  
Merkley  
Murphy  
Murray  
Peters

Reed  
Rosen  
Sanders  
Schatz  
Schumer  
Shaheen  
Smith  
Stabenow  
Tester  
Udall  
Van Hollen  
Warner  
Warren  
Whitehouse  
Wyden

##### NAYS—52

Alexander  
Barrasso  
Blackburn  
Blunt  
Boozman  
Braun  
Burr  
Capito  
Cassidy  
Collins  
Cornyn  
Cotton  
Cramer  
Crapo  
Cruz  
Daines  
Enzi  
Ernst

Fischer  
Gardner  
Risch  
Graham  
Grassley  
Hawley  
Hoeven  
Hyde-Smith  
Inhofe  
Johnson  
Kennedy  
Lankford  
Lee  
Loeffler  
McConnell  
McSally  
Moran  
Murkowski  
Perdue

Portman  
Rosen  
Sanders  
Schatz  
Schumer  
Smith  
Stabenow  
Tester  
Udall  
Van Hollen  
Warner  
Warren  
Whitehouse  
Wyden

##### NOT VOTING—3

Harris Paul Sinema

The motion was rejected.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

##### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR—Motion to Proceed

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 866.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on the motion.

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL).

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. Sinema) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. MCSALLY). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 52, nays 43, as follows:

#### [Rollcall Vote No. 205 Leg.]

##### YEAS—52

Alexander  
Barrasso  
Blackburn  
Blunt  
Boozman  
Braun  
Burr  
Capito  
Cassidy  
Collins  
Cornyn  
Cotton  
Cramer  
Crapo  
Cruz  
Daines  
Enzi  
Ernst

Fischer  
Gardner  
Graham  
Grassley  
Hawley  
Hoeven  
Hyde-Smith  
Inhofe  
Johnson  
Kennedy  
Lankford  
Lee  
Loeffler  
McConnell  
McSally  
Moran  
Murkowski  
Perdue

Portman  
Risch  
Roberts  
Romney  
Rounds  
Rubio  
Sasse  
Scott (FL)  
Scott (SC)  
Shelby  
Sullivan  
Thune  
Tillis  
Toomey  
Wicker  
Young

##### NAYS—43

Baldwin  
Bennet  
Blumenthal  
Booker  
Brown  
Cantwell  
Cardin  
Carper  
Casey  
Coons  
Cortez Masto  
Duckworth  
Durbin  
Feinstein  
Gillibrand

Hassan  
Heinrich  
Hirono  
Kaine  
King  
Klobuchar  
Leahy  
Manchin  
Markey  
Menendez  
Merkley  
Murphy  
Murray  
Peters  
Reed

Rosen  
Sanders  
Schatz  
Schumer  
Smith  
Stabenow  
Tester  
Udall  
Van Hollen  
Warner  
Warren  
Whitehouse  
Wyden

##### NOT VOTING—5

Harris Paul Sinema  
Jones Shaheen

The motion was agreed to.

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the next nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Michael Jay Newman, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

##### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

##### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the